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SUBJECT: F-104 REPLACEMENT: BELGIAN DECISION TO BE POSTPONED

SUMMARY. BELGIAN GOVERNMENT WILL POSTPONE DECISION
BETWEEN US AND FRENCH CONTENDERS TO REPLACE F-104
UNTIL JANUARY 1975. END SUMMARY.

1. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS MINISTRY OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS CHIEF OF WESTERN ORGANIZATIONS
SECTION, VAN DE KERCKHOVE, AND MOD ASSISTANT CHIEF
DE CABINET, ALGOET, TOLD US IN RESPONSE TO OUR
QUESTIONS THAT BELGIUM WOULD POSTPONE ITS DECISION ON THE
F-104 REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT UNTIL JANUARY 1975.

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VAN DE KERCKHOVE IS FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL WHO

ACCOMPANIED BELGIAN MOD ON MOST OF HIS INSPECTION
TRIPS TO FRANCE AND US ON THIS ISSUE; ALGOET IS MOD'S
PERSONAL ASSISTANT FOR DOMESTIC POLITICAL MATTERS
AND HIS LONG TIME ELECTION CAMPAIGN MANAGER. BOTH
SOURCES SHOULD BE FULLY PROTECTED AND WE SUGGEST THAT
NO REFERENCE BE MADE TO REPORTED BELGIAN DECISION UNTIL
WE ARE NOTIFIED OFFICIALLY. FIRESTONE UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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